

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

I am strongly opposed to Sinclair's use of the public airwaves, free of charge. When large companies control the airwaves, we, the public, must tolerate programming driven by the profit motive with little concern of what might be good for our democracy.

Sinclair's actions graphically demonstrate the need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Thank you.

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